

MARCH 7, 2006

HEALTH COMMITTEE
REPORT NO. 4

ALL MEMBERS PRESENT. CHAIRMAN MARINELLI PRESENT AS EX-OFFICIO MEMBER.

1. RESOLVED, the following item is hereby received and filed:
 - a. COMM. 3E-14 (2006)
COUNTY EXECUTIVE: Health - Working with Wellness Program - 1/1/06 - 12/31/06 (2-3) (4-0)
2. INTRO 5-2 (2006)
WEINSTEIN, MILLS, RANZENHOFER, SMITH, KOZUB, KONST, & LOCKLEAR
WHEREAS, Health Insurance and Long Term Care (LTC) insurance premiums are significant to most taxpayers' budgets, and

WHEREAS, many people do not file an income tax return itemizing deductions and cannot deduct any of their Health or LTC insurance costs placing a significant burden on low to middle income taxpayers, and

WHEREAS, for taxpayers who do itemize their taxes, their premiums are partially deductible at most.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Erie County Legislature urges our federal representatives to change the Federal Tax Code allowing for a full deduction of both Health Insurance and Long Term Care Insurance premiums, and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution be forwarded to Senator Charles Schumer, Senator Hillary Clinton, Representative Thomas Reynolds, Representative Louise Slaughter, and Representative Brian Higgins.
(4-0)

3. COMM. 5E-16 (2006)
COUNTY EXECUTIVE
WHEREAS, the Department of Mental Health has been notified by New York State of funding administered by the Division of Criminal Justice Services through the Edward Byrne Memorial program, and

WHEREAS, the State has designated this funding for use in the Local Reentry Task Force Initiative, and

WHEREAS, the reentry program goal is to reduce recidivism in local jurisdictions and to increase public safety through improved coordination and collaboration among criminal justice, social services, educational, health and mental health systems, and

WHEREAS, the Department of Mental Health released a Request for Proposal (RFP) in relation to this award and has selected Mid-Erie Counseling and Treatment Services as the provider after review of responses received, and

WHEREAS, there is no fiscal impact to this resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the following budget amendments are hereby authorized in the 2006 Adopted Budget:

Department of Mental Health, Department 124, Fund 110

<u>ACCOUNT</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>INCREASE/ (DECREASE)</u>
516010	Mid-Erie Counseling and Treatment Services	<u>\$96,000</u>
	Total Expenditure	<u>\$96,000</u>
409000	State Aid Revenue	<u>\$96,000</u>
	Total Revenue	<u>\$96,000</u>

and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Executive and the Commissioner of Mental Health are authorized to execute necessary contracts and agreements for this program, and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution shall be forwarded to the County Executive, the Commissioner of the Department of Mental Health, the Erie County Comptroller and the Director of the Division of Budget, Management and Finance.
(4-0)

**CYNTHIA E. LOCKLEAR
CHAIRPERSON**